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Dear Educator:

I am asking you to encourage your students to participate in the nationwide Congressional High School Arts Competition, "An Artistic Discovery." This annual event is a great opportunity for the young people of Northern Michigan to gain personal and school recognition for their artistic talent. The arts are an integral part of education. Events such as "An Artistic Discovery" provide an incentive and encouragement for students to nurture their creative talents. The winning piece of art in the 1st Congressional District will be sent to Washington, D.C. to be displayed in the U.S. Capitol complex throughout the year.

The William Bonifas Fine Arts Center, 700 1st Avenue South, Escanaba, MI 49829, is the coordinator of the competition for our congressional district, and **all entries are to be submitted there by March 23, 2005.** Entries will be on public display at Bonifas for a week, and an award presentation will follow. The "Best of Show" entry will then be sent to Washington D.C. to be displayed in the Capitol complex.

The art competition's basic guidelines are as follows:

—The competition is open to high school students only, who either reside or attend school within the First Congressional District of Michigan.

—The entry must be an original concept (any entry which has been reproduced from an existing photo, painting, or any other work is a violation of the competition rules and will not be accepted). The attached student release form must be signed by the Teacher and the Student to certify the originality of the art piece.

—The entry must be two dimensional, no larger than 32 inches by 32 inches, and 4 inches deep, including frame. Larger entries will not be accepted. Entrants should be aware that ultimately the winning entry must be framed in order to be displayed in the U.S. Capitol, therefore if initial submission is not framed, artist should be prepared to frame their art if it is selected "Best of Show". The artwork must be small enough to accommodate a frame while still meeting maximum size guideline of 32" x 32". Frames should be kept as simple as possible, and metal frames are recommended. No "snap-on" frames with glass are to be used.

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—The entry must be in one of the following categories:

- Drawings
- Collages- must be 2 dimensional
- Paintings
- Prints- lithographs, silkscreen, block prints
- Computer Generated Art
- Mixed Media
- Photography

Any art work created this school year is eligible for the competition.

Please contact Pasqua Warstler at the William Bonifas Fine Arts Center (906) 786-3833 or my staff member, Ann Fix, in my Escanaba district office at the toll free number 1 800-950-7371 or (906) 786-4504 if you have any questions. ***Please note the William Bonifas Fine Arts Center is open: Tuesday thru Friday 10:00am-5:30pm and Saturday's 10:00am -5:00pm.***

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Bart Stupak". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Bart" being more prominent than the last name "Stupak".

BART STUPAK
Member of Congress

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